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October 31, 2002

Office of General Counsel,
Federal Election Commission,
999 E Street, N.W.,
Washington, D.C. 20463.

RECEIVED
FEDERAL ELECTION
COMMISSION
OFFICE OF GENERAL
COUNSEL
2002 NOV 19 A 11:37

Re: Complaint of alleged abuse by federal contractors and federal employee who are engaging in partisan politics.

To whom it may concern:

The purpose of this letter is to bring to your attention allegations of possible abuse of federal property and federal funds and ask that you investigate the allegations of misconduct on the part of a federal employee and federal contractors. The conduct I am talking about involves support by both a federal employee and a federal contractor for a Republican candidate who is in a contested election in Florida's 24th Congressional District. Mr. Tom Feeney, a Republican, is running against a Democrat by the name of Harry Jacobs.

Yang Enterprises, Inc.

As the president of TWU Local 525, I received complaints from members of this local claiming that their employer, Yang Enterprises, Inc. ("Yang"), held mandatory meetings during work hours "encouraging" the employees to picket the campaign office of a Harry Jacobs, a Democratic candidate for Congress. Yang is a federal services contract, working at the Kennedy Space Center as a subcontractor for Space Gateway Support ("SGS") and receiving both NASA and U. S. Air Force funds for its operations. The employees involved are all paid under the terms of the federal contract. Enclosed is a copy of a letter provided the employees of Yang in furtherance of Yang's political objectives.

Space Gateway Support.

In addition, the prime services contractor at Kennedy Space Center and Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, SGS, reportedly utilized its supervisors and managers to distribute campaign literature during working time on federal property. Members of TWU 525 reported being handed

yard signs at work by their supervisors while at work. It was also reported that political signs were stored on the property for distribution to persons working on the federal property. There should be a security report recording the complaint made by me and confirming the reported political activity. SGS is also a federal services contractor, working under one of NASA's largest contracts. SGS employs thousands of employees at Kennedy Space Center, Cape Canaveral and Patrick AFB. As indicated above, SGS is the prime service contractor for NASA and Yang is a subcontractor of SGS.

Again, the political candidate being promoted by SGS was Mr. Tom Feeney, the candidate supported by Sean O'Keefe, Administrator for NASA and the person who oversees SGS's federal contract.

Sean O'Keefe, Chief Administrator for NASA.

Mr. Sean O'Keefe, like Yang Enterprises, is actively campaigning for candidate Tom Feeney in the upcoming election. Mr. O'Keefe appears to be abusing his position, and spending government money to actively campaign for Mr. Feeney. He has made public appearances on behalf of Mr. Feeney and has publicly endorsed Mr. Feeney's candidacy to the press. In so doing, he is communicating his political position to employees and contractors who work for NASA. Enclosed is a copy of recent newspaper article describing Mr. O'Keefe's involvement in Mr. Feeney's campaign for Congress.

Keep in mind that Yang Enterprises is a contractor receiving income from NASA, the agency run by Mr. O'Keefe, and the Yang relies on the good will of NASA for a good portion of its income.

Conclusion.

This letter was prompted by the unprecedented actions of Yang Enterprises, Space Gateway Support, and Mr. O'Keefe. This is the first time in the years that I have worked at the Kennedy Space Center and Cape Canaveral Air Force Station that contractors and government employees became publicly involved in partisan politics. It is the first time, I can recall such blatant partisan activity on federal property. We have members that have worked here for over 30 years and no one can recall such partisan activity. Aside from the legal consequences of such conduct, the behavior of Yang Enterprises, Space Gateway Support, and Mr. O'Keefe undermines the morale of the work force and the integrity of the work being done by those employees.

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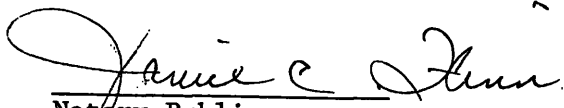
Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,



Chris R. Hunt, President
TWU-Local 525, AFL-CIO

WITNESS THIS 31st day of
October, 2002.



Notary Public
Janice C. Flinn

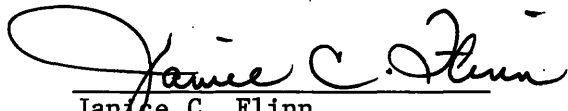


I, Chris R. Hunt, swear that the contents of this complaint are true to the best of my knowledge.

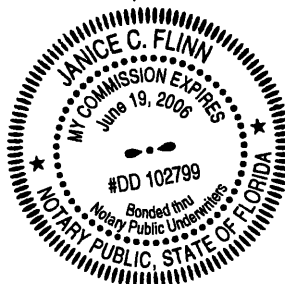


Chris R. Hunt, President

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12th day of November, 2002 at
Cocoa Beach, Florida.



Janice C. Flinn
Notary Public



My Commission expires June 19, 2006

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October 4, 2002

Thomas C. Feeney, III
 General Counsel

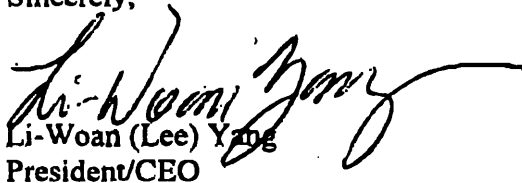
Dear Fellow Employees of Yang Enterprises, Inc. (YEI),

I wanted to take this opportunity to inform you that YEI is taking appropriate action to correct and then to eliminate the wrongful accusations being made against the YEI family by the Jacobs for Congress Campaign. Many of you have likely seen on your local television stations campaign ads where Mr. Jacobs accuses his opponent, Tom Feeney, of using undue political influence with the Florida state government to obtain contracts for YEI and also to get state employees fired for reporting such undue influence. These accusations are bold face lies and are unconscionably calculated, for political reasons, to harm innocent families and business people -- such as you and I. Negative political campaigns are bad enough in America today, but when they are calculated to harm innocent bystanders, it is too much. They indicate a gross and reckless disregard on the part of Mr. Jacobs and his political cronies of the truth about YEI and its longstanding and respected professional and personal competence in the business community. Mr. Feeney has never exercised political influence over any YEI contract and certainly has never sought to get a state employee fired in connection with any YEI contract.

I would urge you all to contact your local television stations, which are listed below, to demand an apology from them for running such outrageous political ads and to cease and desist from running these ads in the future.

Station	Phone	General Manager
WESH Channel 2	(407) 645-2222	Bill Bauman
WKMG Channel 6	(407) 291-6000	Henry Maldonado
WFTV Channel 9	(407) 841-9000	Bill Hoffman
WKCF Channel 18	(407) 645-1818	Wayne Spracklin
WOFL Channel 35	(407) 644-3535	Stan Knott

Sincerely,


 Li-Woan (Lee) Yang
 President/CEO

ld the victim's name.
s around the world have
equests of the living sniper
o divulge their identities,"
te in the statement. "We
I will have the ethics . . . to
I hope that after the sniper
will be given permission to

ing sniper victims have been protected
by the national news media as well, and
investigators have not released personal
information about surviving victims.

One neighbor of the victim said he
was shocked to hear the news that it had

See Survivor, 4A

NASA head stumps for GOP candidates

By John Kelly
and Kelly Young
FLORIDA TODAY

Sean O'Keefe is taking time
off from his day job, as adminis-
trator of NASA, to campaign for
Republican political candidates
in two states with
high-profile NASA
centers.

O'Keefe took time
off Monday and went
to Huntsville, Ala., to
endorse the Republi-
can candidate for gov-
ernor at a space mu-
seum near Marshall
Space Flight Center.
Next Monday, he will
be at the Cocoa Beach
Hilton with Tom Fee-
ney, the GOP nominee
in the 24th Congres-
sional District that in-
cludes Kennedy Space
Center.

NASA is not paying
for the trips and
O'Keefe is not doing
official business,
agency spokesman Glenn Ma-
hone said. He is not flying on
NASA planes or taking govern-
ment aides along. O'Keefe and
the candidates are paying any
costs, Mahone and GOP cam-
paign officials said.

High-ranking presidential ap-
pointees often hit the campaign
trail for party candidates. A
search of news archives and in-
terviews with longtime NASA
watchers yielded no examples of
former administrator Daniel
Goldin politicking so openly or
endorsing specific can-
didates. If Goldin ever
did make such an ap-
pearance, "I'm reason-
ably sure he would
have been the first,"
said Howard
McCurdy, an Ameri-
can University public
affairs professor.

McCurdy, who has
written books about
NASA, said the prac-
tice is becoming more
common. Goldin could
not be reached for
comment.

"It's certainly ex-
panding in the federal
government as a
whole," McCurdy said.
"It's not unusual to see
the head of the parks
services doing the same thing."

There are no rules against it
as long as government resources
are not used and O'Keefe care-
fully distinguishes his



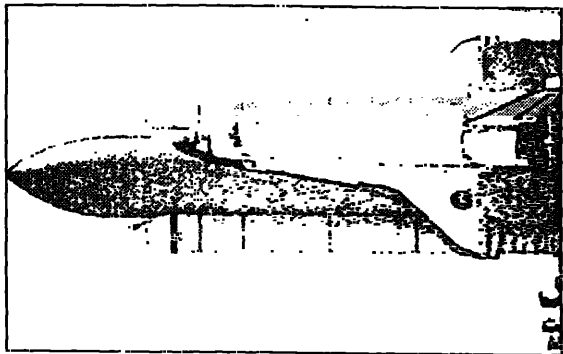
O'Keefe



Feeney

See NASA, 2A

Endless or
be Grapes
99¢
SAVE UP TO \$1.00 LB.
Prices Effective 10/23/02 - 10/29/02



FLORIDA TODAY file photo

NASA is trying to understand why a backup set of explosives on Atlantis, pictured, did not fire properly.

must be replaced about every six months.

The investigation of the explosive nuts that release the shuttle at liftoff is continuing. One set of explosives in the nuts, which have a backup set, didn't fire during Atlantis' Oct. 7 launch. NASA wants to be sure the problem is understood before Endeavour's flight.

Endeavour is taking along a new space station crew on its mission to install another girder on the station. The port truss is nearly the mirror image of the truss installed by Atlantis' crew.

P R E - S E A S O N

NASA head stumps for GOP candidates

NASA, From 1A
appearances as personal rather than official.

"As long as he's not trying to say four out of five astronauts agree, and I assume he's not, then he's OK," said John Pike, a defense and space policy analyst with Virginia-based globalsecurity.org. "Now if I was a partisan Democrat with an interest in these races, I wouldn't have to work very hard to come up with a cheap shot."

Mahone said everyone knows O'Keefe is a Republican, and he has rights as an individual to support candidates like anyone else.

"He did not endorse them as the NASA administrator, but as Sean O'Keefe, a Republican and a member of the administration," Mahone said. "He is Sean Q. Citizen."

Apparently, that's not how U.S. Rep. Bob Riley saw it. His campaign material clearly identified "NASA Administrator Sean O'Keefe" among the people who've endorsed him.

"Bob Riley is an enlightened leader who understands the critical nature of research investment, and Alabama's economy will prosper under Bob Riley's leadership,"

O'Keefe said at the event, according to a campaign news release. "Bob Riley is the right man with the right plan for Alabama."

The release quoted Riley: "Having NASA's administrator fly down from Washington to endorse my campaign for governor illustrates the viability of my plan to build a new high-tech research-based economy in Alabama. Administrator O'Keefe's strong endorsement highlights his confidence that Alabama can become a vital part of the new economy if given the right leadership."

Riley campaign spokesman Dave Acbell said O'Keefe is interested in Riley's plan to develop Alabama's economy like North Carolina's Research Triangle.

The *Huntsville Times* quoted O'Keefe in Tuesday's edition saying his two appearances were not about partisanship but leadership ability. The paper reported that when asked if he would endorse Democrats with similar leadership abilities, O'Keefe said, "These are the only two opportunities I had to be involved with."

Feeney's campaign is stressing that O'Keefe is appearing in an "unofficial capacity." But the campaign is billing the event as a "Space Town Hall Meeting" at

which space industry officials selected by the campaign will get to ask the men about NASA and other space issues.

In debates and other space-related appearances in the district, which includes Kennedy Space Center, Feeney has said his close relationship with O'Keefe and President Bush will help the area.

His press secretary, Kim Stone, made the same case Tuesday. Harry Jacobs, the Democratic candidate running against Feeney, is not invited. Questions asked of Feeney and O'Keefe will be screened by the campaign, she said.

Jacobs' spokeswoman Azalea Candelaria said such events are not unusual and President Bush's aides and appointees have been helping Feeney from the start. She said she hoped O'Keefe and NASA were equally willing to provide the Democratic candidate with access to tours and face-to-face discussions with the administrator.

"Harry Jacobs has lots more support than the Republicans expected, so Tom Feeney rang the alarm and a series of dignitaries are coming down to campaign for him," she said. "When the president of the United States is a Republican and you're not, you can't get that campaign help."

Neither Mahone nor Feeney's spokeswoman said they knew whether O'Keefe will endorse Feeney.

O'Keefe has long served Republican administrations, including that of President Bush's father. The younger Bush moved O'Keefe over from the Office of Management and Budget to head NASA on orders to clean up the agency's money woes.

Pike said previous NASA administrators have been "space cadets" who were at NASA because it was their dream job. O'Keefe is more of a career political appointee, so it's not surprising he is politically active, Pike said.

Lottery results

Tuesday, Oct. 22

Cash 3: 2-2-9

Play 4: 8-6-1-1

Fantasy 5:

9-10-12-22-31

Mega Money:

3-17-24-25

Mega Ball: 18

For updates, payoffs and a link to past winning numbers, go to www.floridatoday.com or call 632-1555 and enter code 1234.

"If Wine Is Your Pleasure,"